

(H.R. 1878) to extend for 4 years the period of applicability of enrollment mix requirement to certain health maintenance organizations providing services under Dayton area health plan, as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 1878

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. EXTENDING PERIOD OF APPLICABILITY OF ENROLLMENT MIX REQUIREMENT TO CERTAIN HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS PROVIDING SERVICES UNDER DAYTON AREA HEALTH PLAN

Section 2 of Public Law 102-276, as amended by section 13644 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993, is amended by striking "December 31, 1995" and inserting "December 31, 1999".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] will be recognized for 20 minutes, and the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. HALL] will be recognized for 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from North Carolina [Mr. BURR].

Mr. BURR. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

(Mr. BURR asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BURR. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 1878.

The Dayton area health plan is a Medicaid managed care demonstration project in Dayton, OH. On December 31 of this year, the Medicaid waiver under which the plan currently operates will expire.

H.R. 1878 extends for 4 years the waiver of the 75/25 percent enrollment mix which requires HMO's serving public recipients to attract 25 percent of their customers from the commercial market.

Since this program has been successful as a HCFA-approved Medicaid reform initiative, Congress has waived the enrollment mix twice in the past. Moreover, the Congressional Budget Office has also estimated that the Dayton program saves taxpayers approximately \$1 million per year.

For these reasons, I ask my colleagues to join me in support of this program.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. HALL of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of H.R. 1878, a bill to extend the waiver of the 75/25 percent enrollment mix requirement for the Dayton Area Health Plan. The Dayton Area Health Plan is a Medicaid managed care initiative. For more than six years, it has been providing quality health care to over 24,000 enrollees in Aid to Dependent Children, Healthy Start, and General Assistance programs in Montgomery County, Ohio.

The Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (Public Law

99-272) instituted a requirement that a Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) be able to attract at least 25 percent commercial enrollees in order to be eligible for reimbursement under Medicaid. The theory was that the ability to attract paying customers would ensure quality care for Medicaid beneficiaries. However, the Dayton Area Health Plan ensures quality by encouraging competition between the HMO's that participate.

Congress has twice recognized the value of the Dayton Area Health Plan. With bipartisan support, we have been able to get at least 2 waivers on this over the last few years.

Mr. Speaker, the current waiver for the Dayton Area Health Plan expires at the end of this year. H.R. 1878 will provide relief until a State-wide plan called OhioCare goes into effect.

I would like to thank the bill's sponsor, Mr. HOBSON; the chairman and ranking member of the Commerce Committee, Messrs. BLILEY and DINGELL; and the chairman and ranking member of the Health and Environmental Subcommittee, Messrs. BILIRAKIS and WAXMAN, for their support of this effort.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. BURR. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. HOBSON].

Mr. HOBSON. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank the Republican leadership for scheduling this bipartisan bill so we can keep the Dayton Area Health Plan running into the new year. Also, I want to thank TONY HALL—together we've extended this waiver twice already.

I was the Ohio Senate health chairman in charge of overseeing the establishment of a Medicaid managed care demonstration project in Dayton, OH. The Dayton Area Health Plan has operated successfully under a waiver from certain Federal Medicaid requirements for nearly a decade.

The current waiver expires December 31, 1995, and, unless the waiver is extended, the Dayton Area Health Plan will be forced to close its doors to 25,000+ low-income beneficiaries.

H.R. 1878 provides the temporary regulatory relief that's necessary to allow the Dayton Area Health Plan to continue to serve its customers into the new year.

Mr. HALL of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I would just say that I appreciate the support of the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. HOBSON] and his long-term support and direction that he has given to this important piece of legislation. We have worked together very carefully and in a very good way over the past few years to really help with this plan. It has been a good plan, we think, a pioneer plan, that has saved a lot of money for the taxpayers, not only in Dayton, OH, but for the country.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. BURR. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I also agree that this has been a successful plan. It is one we need to continue to waive in this particular case.

Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1878, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The title was considered so as to read: "A bill to extend for 4 years the period of applicability of enrollment mix requirement to certain health maintenance organizations providing services under Dayton Area Health Plan."

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. BURR. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on H.R. 1878, the bill just passed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from North Carolina?

There was no objection.

ALBERT V. BRYAN UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE

Mr. GILCHREST. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill (S. 965) to designate the United States courthouse for the eastern district of Virginia in Alexandria, VA, as the Albert V. Bryan United States Courthouse.

The Clerk read as follows:

S. 965

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. DESIGNATION OF ALBERT V. BRYAN UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE.

(a) NEW COURTHOUSE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Federal building located at Courthouse Square South and Jamieson Avenue in Alexandria, Virginia, shall be known and designated as the "Albert V. Bryan United States Courthouse".

(2) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the Federal building referred to in paragraph (1) shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Albert V. Bryan United States Courthouse".

(b) OLD COURTHOUSE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Federal building located at 200 South Washington Street in Alexandria, Virginia, shall not be known and designated as the "Albert V. Bryan United States Courthouse".

(2) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the Federal building known and designated prior to the effective date of this section as the "Albert

V. Bryan United States Courthouse" shall be deemed to be a reference to the Federal building referred to in paragraph (I).

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall become effective on the date of the completion of the construction of the Federal building referred to in subsection (a)(1).

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Maryland [Mr. GILCHREST] will be recognized for 20 minutes, and the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. TRAFICANT] will be recognized for 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Maryland [Mr. GILCHREST].

Mr. GILCHREST. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, Judge Bryan is a legend in the judicial community. He was first appointed to the U.S. district court in 1947 by President Truman and in 1961 he joined the court of appeals. He is best known for his 1958 order that four African-American students be enrolled in a northern Virginia all-white junior high school. This resulted in the first desegregated school in Virginia history. This bill has broad bipartisan support having passed the other body earlier this year. A companion bill was introduced and considered by the Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development earlier this year wherein we heard testimony from the Honorable JIM MORAN, who is a distinguished Member from the other side.

It is fitting that Congress name this new courthouse in Alexandria VA, in Judge Bryan's honor. I urge support for this legislation.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

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Mr. TRAFICANT. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, Judge Albert V. Bryan's judicial career covered 37 years. It was characterized by fairness, firmness, and thoroughness. He was admired by his colleagues for his modesty and gentleness, and nobody could forget the dry wit. Everyone greatly respected his intelligence and integrity. His landmark work, as stated by the gentleman from Maryland [Mr. GILCHREST], to support integration of public schools in Virginia, was ultimately incorporated into the historic Supreme Court decision *Brown versus Board of Education*.

The gentleman from Virginia [Mr. MORAN], a highly respected member of our caucus, has done yeoman's work in bringing this legislation to the floor. Without his help we may not have been having it here today.

I want to commend the gentleman from Virginia [Mr. MORAN] for his leadership in a lot of areas in this Congress. He is to be commended for his support of this bill, and I join the gentleman in supporting this bill, to honor the life and career of Judge Bryan by designating the new courthouse to be dedicated in Alexandria, VA, as the Albert V. Bryan United States Courthouse.

Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the distinguished gentleman from Virginia [Mr. MORAN].

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, I thank the very distinguished ranking minority member of this subcommittee from Ohio, who I may also say is a good friend, and I thank him for his thoroughness and fairness as well. The gentleman is someone Judge Bryan would greatly enjoy and respect.

I want to thank my good friend as well, the very distinguished chairman of this subcommittee, the gentleman from Maryland [Mr. GILCHREST]. The gentleman does a wonderful job representing his constituency, but also the interests not only under his subcommittee, but of the country, and has done the kind of terrific work, particularly in the environmental area, which is just what Judge Bryan would care about.

In his 37 years on the Federal bench, Judge Bryan built a record as a legal conservative and a strict constructionist. That is why he was able to bring about the very dramatic changes in terms of school desegregation in Virginia, because of the respect that he had earned throughout his career. He was renowned for his fairness, his firmness, and his thoroughness. As has been said, of the 322 opinions written as a Circuit Judge and the 18 opinions written as a U.S. District Judge, he was reversed in only four cases. That is a record that very, very few can equal.

His colleagues knew him as a courtly, conservative Virginia gentleman, whose personal style was low-key, modest and polite, often with a dry wit. According to his son, U.S. District Judge Albert V. Bryan, Jr., Judge Bryan, Sr., thought of the court as a jewel of the Constitution.

Following through on the jewel metaphor, the Washington Post editorial that marked the death of Judge Bryan stated:

that those who knew the senior Judge Bryan might well add that this appraisal came from an expert who valued that gem and protected it with integrity and eloquence.

With great reverence and pride, I am very pleased to be part of something that would have mattered a great deal to him, to have his name on a Federal Courthouse. I know it matters a great deal to his family and to the community that he served.

That courthouse will open next month. I hope the distinguished gentleman from Maryland and the distinguished gentleman from Ohio can join us, if they can, and even the very distinguished staff. If they can make it, we would love to have join us. I very much appreciate this legislation going forward today.

Mr. TRAFICANT. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I concur with the comments made by the gentleman from Virginia [Mr. MORAN] and our distinguished chairman. I want to echo those

comments as far as conservation work done by the distinguished chairman. I wanted to thank the gentleman for helping with this legislation today.

Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. GILCHREST. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, when I say thank you, I do not want people to take it lightly, because it is a depth that is pretty deep, when I add my thanks to the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. TRAFICANT] for his help and work on this subcommittee and this legislation. I thank the gentleman from Virginia [Mr. MORAN] for bringing this to our attention, because the gentleman from Virginia knows all too well that this Nation is better as a result of Judge Bryan. I strongly urge the support of this legislation.

Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HAYWORTH). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Maryland [Mr. GILCHREST] that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 965.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the Senate bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GILCHREST. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on S. 965.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Maryland?

There was no objection.

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 20 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HAYWORTH) at 4 o'clock and 26 minutes p.m.

SUNDRY MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Sundry messages in writing from the President of the United States were communicated to the House by Mr. Edwin Thomas, one of his secretaries.